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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR

1. ON ASSUMPTION THAT GOI BUDGETARY REVIEW AND GOI-USG ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES IMPEDING EXECUTION OF JOINT COMMISSION TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS WILL BE RESOLVED SHORTLY, PROPOSE NOW TO ESTABLISH AND FILL BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 POSITION OF JCTC PROJECT COORDINATOR IN EMBASSY TEHRAN. POSITION WOULD BE FILLED BY REIMBURSABLE AID DETAIL TO STATE AND FUNDED BY GOI UNDER SAS ARRANGEMENT BY GOI AGENCIES THROUGH US PARTICIPATING AGENCY PROGRAM BUDGETS.

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2. REQUEST EMBASSY REVIEW PAPERS LEFT WITH DCM BY POATS

JUNE 30 AND DRAFT INITIAL POSITION DESCRIPTION, SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS NATURE OF EMBASSY'S ROLE EVOLVES WITH INITIATION AND OPERATION OF JOINT COMMISSION TC PROGRAMS.

3. TWO STRONG CANDIDATES FOR COORDINATOR POSITION HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR EMBASSY'S CONSIDERATION. THEY ARE AID FSR-3 RONALD A. ROGERS, NOW COMPLETING ASSIGNMENT IN BANGKOK AS PROGRAM OFFICER OF SOUTHEAST ASIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AND AID FSR-5 JOHN L. CHAMPAGNE, NOW IN AID/W. BOTH HAVE CONSISTENTLY VERY HIGH RATINGS AND

ENDORSEMENTS OF FORMER SUPERVISORS; BOTH HAVE MASTERS DEGREES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, OVERSEAS MILITARY EXPERIENCE AS OFFICERS, AND AID OVERSEAS TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMMING EXPERIENCE.

4. PROPOSE ROGERS VISIT EMBASSY O/A JULY 23 EN ROUTE WASHINGTON CONSULTATION H/L PENDING NEW ASSIGNMENT. CHAMPAGNE AVAILABLE FOR TDY TEHRAN IF REQUIRED. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER AND WHEN CHAMPAGNE'S VISIT SHOULD BE ARRANGED. INGERSOLL

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